



City Council  
January 22, 2019

Addendum #2  
Comments Received January 22  
Prior to the Council Meeting

## **Meredyth Muth**

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**From:** Liz connor <liz.connor@pitterpattershop.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 6:15 PM  
**To:** City Council  
**Subject:** Parking structure

Thank you City Council Members for working to address the parking shortage in Downtown Louisville. It's an issue that is concerning all businesses operating here. I'm in support of finding a solution to bring more customers to downtown by providing easier parking, but I'd encourage you to look at another option other than the plans submitted for the parking lot adjacent to Sweet Cow. As a small business owner in Downtown and a homeowner nearby, I feel this parking structure will diminish the experience in this area. Could something of this size be located on the other side of the railroad or somewhere else close by?

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Liz Connor

**From:** [Sally Blair](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Pictures of current City lot by Sweet Cow  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 6:05:20 PM  
**Attachments:** [Sweet Cow Parking Lot Pics.pdf](#)  
[ATT00001.htm](#)

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Hello City Council Members,

My neighbor and I have been taking photos of the current surface lot by Sweet Cow showing that it is rarely full (see attached). These photos are consistent with our experience, as we drive and walk by this lot frequently. Even when the lot is full (Wed, Thurs, Fri nights from 6:30-7:30), there is plenty of adjacent street parking on Elm or Front. In our opinion this demonstrates that there is enough parking at this location downtown. If there is regularly available parking in this surface lot, but people are still parking on LaFarge, building a parking garage at this location will not alleviate the parking on LaFarge without a residential permit program. The issue is that parking along the residential streets is closer to their location, additional parking elsewhere won't change that.

In addition, we've heard that there is also plenty of parking in the City lot at DELO. We didn't document this, but would encourage the City to better understand the usage of that lot before paying \$10M to build a parking garage at any location.

I personally don't have an issue with additional square footage being built downtown, but I do not believe residents should pay for the parking required by code to enable this development. Especially when the garage cost (\$/space) is almost double what the developers pay the City to not provide a parking spot. I believe there are better uses for the \$10M to encourage foot traffic and patrons for the local shops and restaurants downtown, and encourage City Council to invest in those before building a garage which will be obsolete before it's paid off.















Please discard, once and for all, this idea of building a parking garage downtown. It is not consistent with the character that everyone loves, it is not safe, it is not necessary based on parking demand, it is not a priority for taxpayer investment, it goes against sustainable transportation approaches, and it's simply not for downtown Louisville.

Best regards,

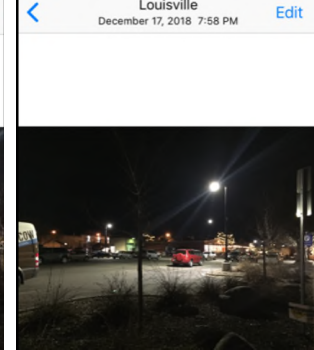
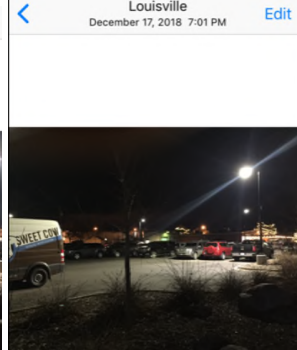
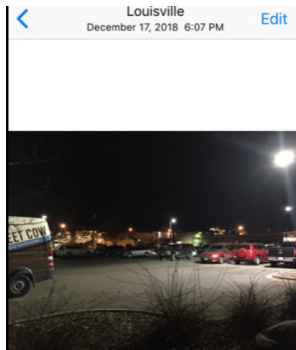
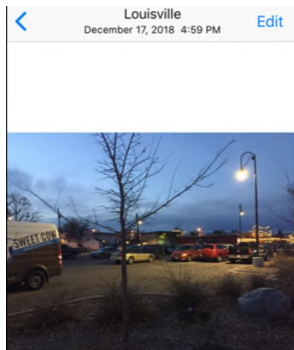
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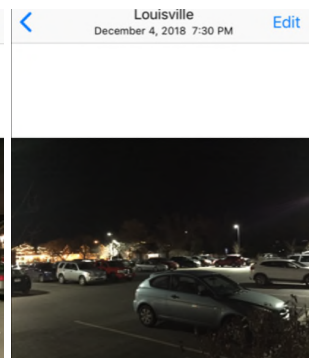
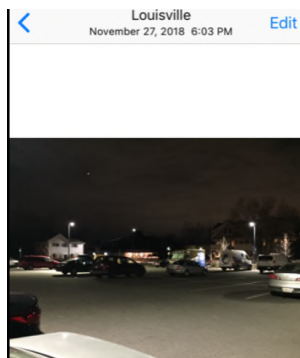
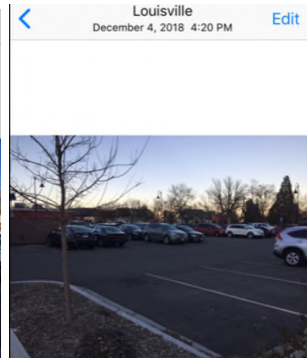
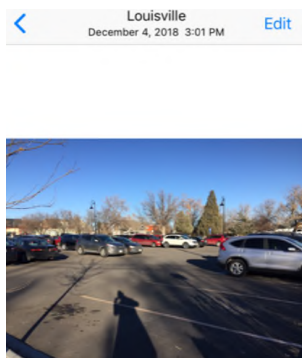
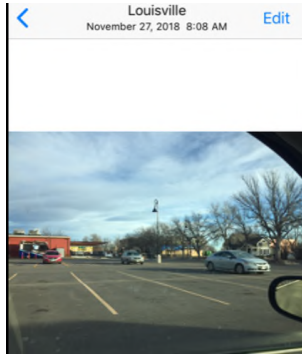
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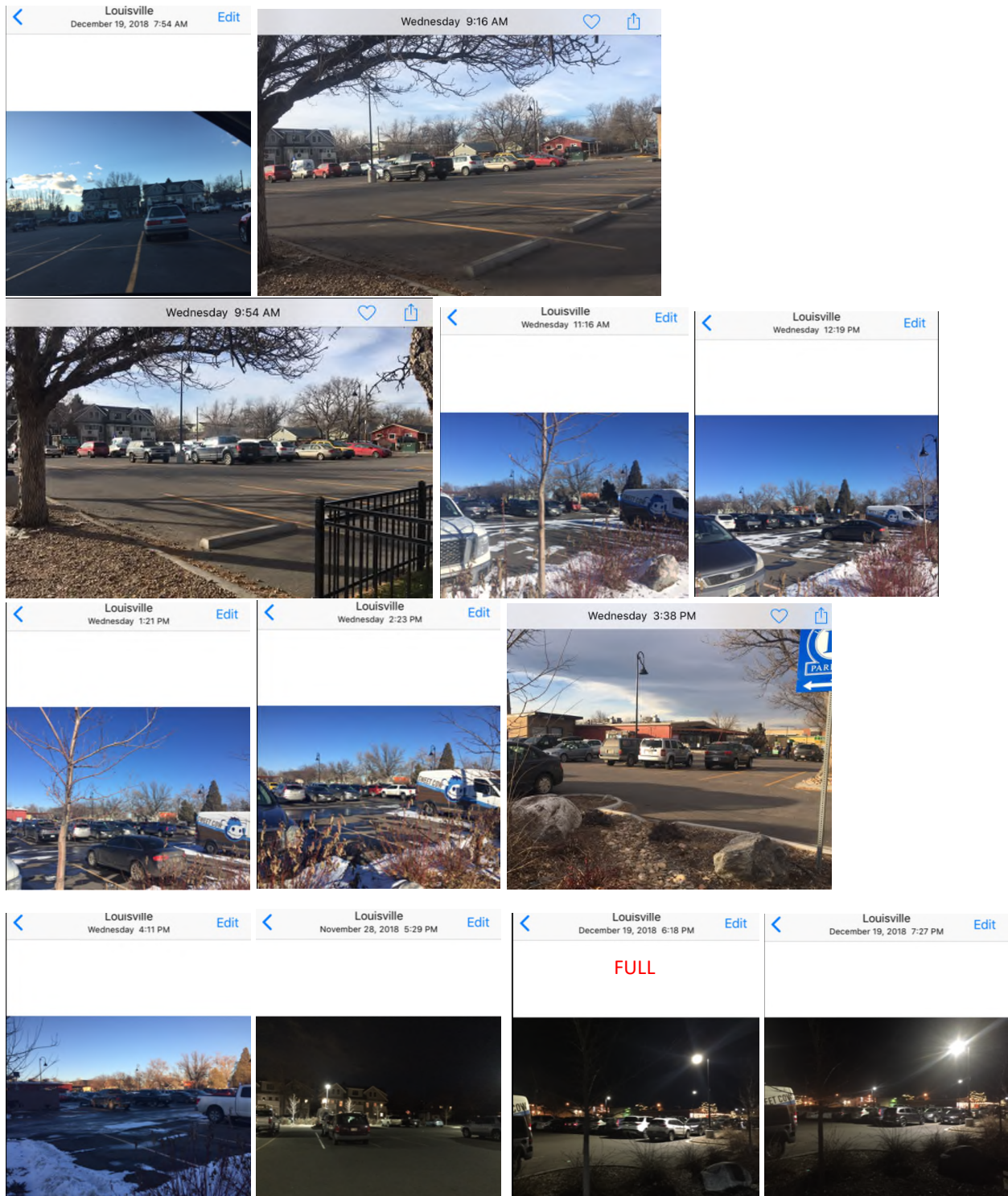


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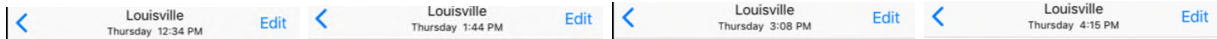


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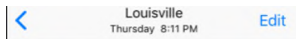




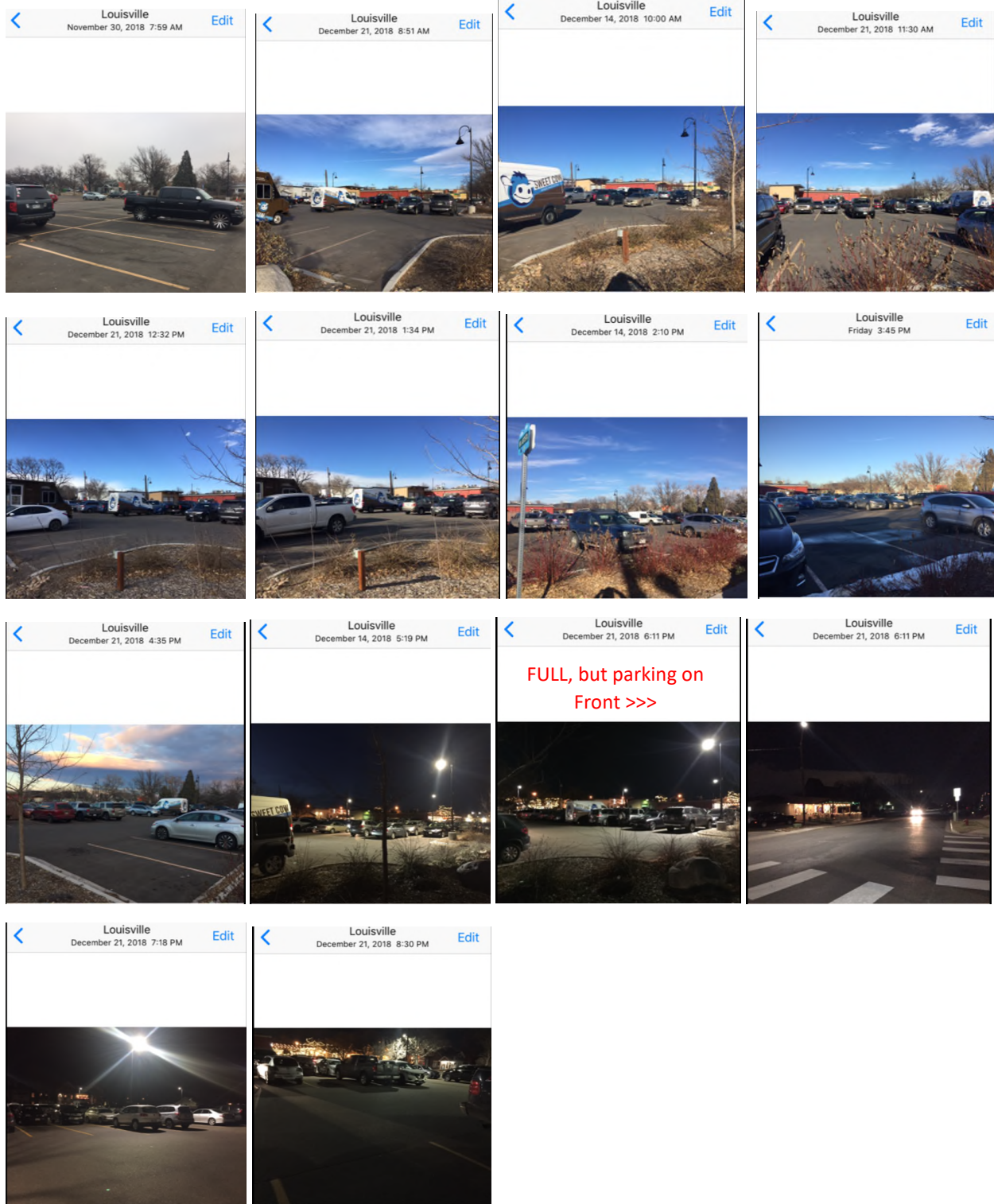
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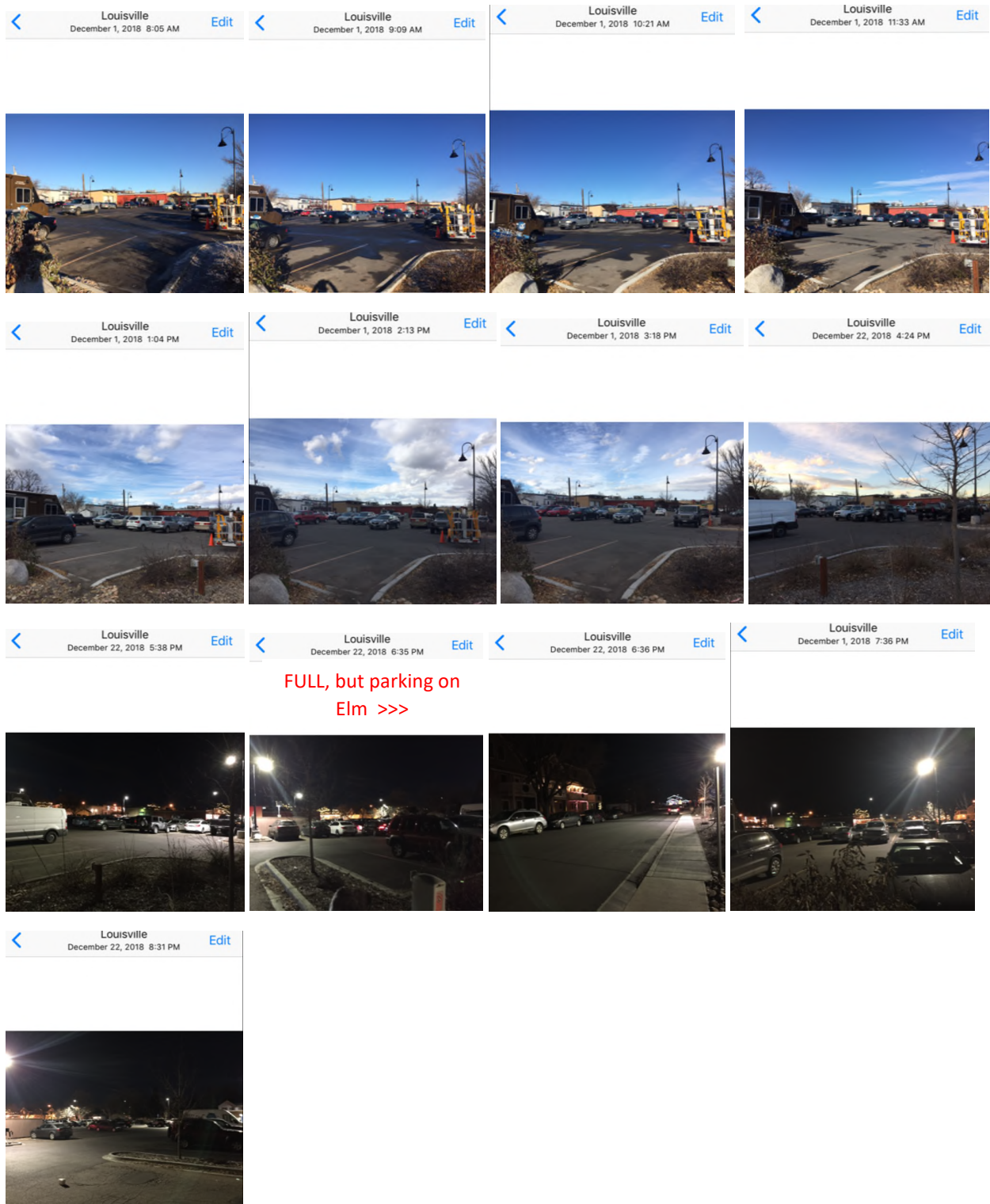


# FRIDAY





## SATURDAY



**From:** [Trent Davol](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** parking structure objection  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 6:05:19 PM  
**Attachments:** [Parking Structure Louisville Jan 2019.pdf](#)

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My name is Trent Davol. I am a resident of Louisville at 1020 Rex St (old town) and my wife and I own Pica's Taqueria, a restaurant in downtown (901 Front St), that opened in June 2016.

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We've seen Louisville grow and we've benefited from that growth. We are not anti-growth but this does not feel appropriate now.

The parking structure does not help revitalize downtown Louisville. In fact, it could have the opposite effect and kill the charm.

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It is my opinion that as the downtown goes, Louisville goes. You lose the charm and interesting draw of downtown and you lose the reason why people want to live here and visit here.

Make the most of the existing and underutilized parking available and accept that there will be some stress on parking from time to time. But don't build a parking structure downtown that is not needed.

Sincerely,

Trent Davol  
Owner Pica's Taqueria  
Louisville Resident  
303.408.4603

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Owner Pica's Taqueria  
Louisville Resident  
303.408.4603

**From:** [s.wills](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** proposed multi-story parking structure  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 5:25:59 PM

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Dear Council Members,

I'm unable to attend the meeting tonight regarding the parking structure proposals.  
I am strongly opposed to all of the proposed parking garage options for downtown.

I am not convinced of the need for such oversized and expensive structures in our town. This would take away from the scale and character of our town. I've already lived in a sweet small town which lost so much charm when large parking structures were put in.

My family and I have lived in Louisville for 10 years. We love walking to our charming downtown and enjoying the character and charm of our city. We eat out every week at our downtown restaurants and enjoy being patrons of the sweet shops downtown.

Town is always jumping and seems to be thriving. I do not believe a large parking structure will add to our town, but actually take away from it.

We are going to lose the special qualities that make Louisville the special place we love.

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Wills  
Louisville, CO

**From:** [The Ealy's](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Parking Garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 4:59:52 PM

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I urge you to please reconsider the proposed parking garage development. I am continually saddened and frustrated by the development that is completely changing the face of our town. I used to brag about how much I loved our little town but don't feel I can say that anymore. Every time I drive by another house that is razed and rebuilt into an out of place mansion, I want to cry. Now it is proposed to do the same thing with our businesses, too? We can not undo the damage that we are doing so I urge you to please stop the damage before it starts. Continuing to add these monstrosities (both residential and commercial) is ruining our charm. The ugly black square building on Front Street is bad enough - please rethink creative ways to solve the city's parking problem (if there really even is one).

Jodi Ealy  
822 Trail Ridge Drive



I have offered the land, at no charge in front of the Historic Grain Elevator to the City several times. This would allow 80 to 90 underground parking spaces, (similar space as the Library). The LRC only wanted to study one site which is being presented to Council tonight.

There aren't any utilities in this area, so no utility relocations required at the Mill site.

The above ground spaces per the PUD remain the same (approximately 80). Add the 90 underground as I am proposing plus approximately 15 new (not yet graded) along the new BNSF fence, south of Casa Alegre and that's 185 new spaces.

Take the city owned land costs, add it to the Blue Parrott and South of Sweet Cow/Lucky Pie sites and the estimated costs as proposed by City are very close to my proposed costs per space.

You may or may not agree with a parking structure at all. You may fully support the City proposed parking structure. You may like this concept, and you may have a different concept.

Regardless of your preference let City Council know where you stand.

Please show your support, voice your opinion at The City Council Meeting tonight (1-22-19 at 7:00pm). Call the Council members and email them. Let Council know how you feel about this issue.

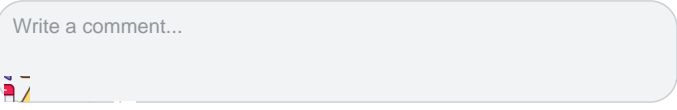
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Louisville Mill Site Redevelopment  
& Historic Grain Elevator Restoration

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## A photograph of a kitchen area. In the foreground, there are wooden cabinets with drawers and doors. One cabinet door is open, revealing a white interior. In the background, there is a white door and a wall. The lighting is warm, and the overall scene is a typical kitchen environment.

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From: [Rebecca Chance](#)  
To: [City Council](#)  
Cc: [cacloisvilleco@gmail.com](mailto:cacloisvilleco@gmail.com)  
Subject: Proposed Parking Structure  
Date: Tuesday, January 22, 2019 4:52:22 PM

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City Council Members:

I am a retired landscape designer and planner and have moved here from Oregon within the last month precisely because of the attractive and personable scale of downtown Louisville. I've visited from time to time over the years and have become familiar with the town, enjoying its scale and character enough to move here. No sooner have I moved than I find that very character threatened.

**1) According to the "Mass and Scale" and "Architectural Character" policies of the Design Handbook for downtown Louisville, this project should never have been proposed. This structure would not only do much to obliterate Louisville's personable scale but sets a dangerous precedent that ignores decisions set down in the Design Handbook.** It appears to be an end-run around what has already been laid out. As a new resident, I would like to think that Louisville abides by its decisions and is in no one's pocket. Clearly, good work went into the handbook and it should continue to be honored.

**2) Speaking as a retired landscape designer and planner, the mass and scale of the proposed parking garage are seriously out of proportion to downtown and the surrounding neighborhoods. It is far from honoring the Louisville context.** This is a highly urban edifice, not in sympathy with the scale and character of Louisville. The homes next to it will be faced with a "wall" shown in the elevational drawing along Front Street that includes the homes, the proposed garage, and Sweet Cow and Lucky Pie. In reality, it will be more imposing than in a drawing. This is perhaps the most instructive illustration and should be looked at very carefully in the interest of complete disclosure.

**3) A structure like this greatly diminishes the existing character of the town and would create a jarring visual and felt dissonance. It does not revitalize. It imposes.** Having received a masters in landscape architecture from the University of Oregon and having worked in the field for 25 years I would expect more sensitivity from planners and designers. This phenomenon is not new, and though you are already in deep, Louisville can draw the line.

Sweet Cow and Lucky Pie are Louisville institutions, family scale. It would be inhospitable to these businesses, to families in the neighborhood, and to downtown Louisville, in general, to let this monolith of a structure go forward. I am not opposed to new development, only detrimental and inhospitable development that doesn't sufficiently honor context.

**4) Louisville is in no way a blight, as is evidenced by the numbers. To suggest otherwise would be disingenuous. The definition of "blight" should perhaps be carefully examined. Building this structure could set a precedent that would justify other similar future development and would lead to loss of character and, ultimately, financial jeopardy for the town.** A parking garage is a poor way to bolster a town and it is a slippery slope to creating Everytown, America. There are plenty of nondescript "Everytowns" all around Louisville with no identifiable character to recommend them. They have lots of parking! Keeping Louisville unique keeps it desirable and is its insurance. Examine what makes Louisville unique! **Louisville IS vital!**

**5) Since arriving in Louisville, I have appreciated the ease with which parking can be found, even during events like the Christmas parade. The parking on the other side of the tracks is new, readily accessible, plentiful, and has hardly been given a chance. And it appears you've made provision for much additional parking.** I've used the parking across the tracks many times and have found it close, easy, and pleasant; perhaps it needs to be talked up. It does indeed make me wonder who really stands to benefit by the building of this garage, and that's just it—it's a "garage" no matter how you dress it up, not a revitalization strategy even if that were needed. If you look at similar projects around the country they have not been successful. Businesses attached to them do not thrive.

**In sum, this project flauts the Louisville Handbook, is out of scale, seriously undermines the unique character and thus the financial health of downtown, and is unnecessary.**

Sincerely,

Rebecca Chance

Louisville Resident and Retired Landscape Designer & Planner

**From:** [Zoey Chance](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** parking garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 4:35:24 PM

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Dear Council members,

I intend to speak tonight but in case things drag on I'll have to return to my babysitter. Sending this in case I have to leave before the opportunity to speak.

My name is Zoey Davol

I live at 1020 Rex St. and I own Pica's Mexican Taqueria at 901 Front St. with my husband Trent.

I am not in favor of a parking structure in downtown for the following reasons:

I do not believe it fits the scale of our small town.

It does not address problems small business owners have brought before the City. This is not what we as business owners are looking for.

There are multiple existing parking areas that are underutilized. On most days, barring a few peak hours on Fridays and Saturdays and events, it is easy to find parking in downtown parking lots and street parking that is not neighborhood streets. Even during these peak hours I have still seen open spaces in surface lots and the library lot and always many on the other side of the tracks through the underpass.

Though I can understand that residents on Lafarge struggle with lack of street parking this is not a unique situation for homes situated just off a downtown area. This should not weigh heavily on a decision that changes the character of this town so greatly.

I strongly feel that this is not a sustainable or progressive strategy. It does not encourage alternative transportation to the town center. It would be taking so many steps backward in terms of sustainability.

Providing a parking garage to incentivize redevelopment seems premature. What happens if redevelopment doesn't happen? Are we stuck with a huge empty parking garage? I fear even with redevelopment this would be severely underutilized.

Health and safety reasons should also not be overlooked.

I urge you NOT to move forward with this proposal.

Sincerely,  
Zoey Davol

**From:** [Tessa Greene](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** opposition to proposed parking garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 4:24:58 PM

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Dear members of city council,

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed parking garage downtown. I have read through the proposal, and looked at the different suggested structures. I read the reasons for its proposal, and I feel that the actual situation down town has not been taken into account.

Over the last couple of years, I have seen extra public parking lots added around town, with helpful blue signs to boot. Then even more parking spots were added on the other side of the train tracks by all those empty buildings near Vic's and Moe's. I spend a lot of time down town throughout the week - daytime, evenings and weekends and I have yet to see over crowding by cars. I'm mostly near Main Street too, so I imagine the parking further out is even less crowded. It seems to me that there are plenty of parking spaces available and open throughout the town.

I have also seen multiple businesses close over the past few years leaving several empty store fronts, some like the old Waterloo have been empty for years. I think that efforts ought to be re-focused on thoughtfully filling those spaces before even considering extra parking for potential extra commerce. Perhaps encouraging landlords to lower rents, or offering further tax incentives to new business owners might help.

I love this little town, and the locally owned businesses that are thriving here. My family and I support them on a very regular basis. I believe that a parking garage of that scale is imposing, excessive and unnecessary. Please do not push this this matter any further.

Tessa Greene  
Louisville resident

**From:** [Alex Cieminski](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Parking garage comment  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 4:20:12 PM

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Hello,

I just moved to Louisville and I can say I am dismayed at the idea of the large parking garage being put in to the downtown. I think that multiple options need to be explored and that this kind of thing could compromise the character of a town. It seems that parking is self is not really the problem, but is been used to solve other the problems. I say no parking garage and back to the drawing board for those problems. Thank you.

Alex C.



**From:** [Ingrid Lechner](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** A Louisville firefighter and her family against the parking structure  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 3:42:05 PM

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Dear City Council,

I cannot attend tonight's meeting because in addition to being a BVSD teacher, mother of three BVSD high school students, and a resident of Main St., tonight I am volunteer firefighting for our City of Louisville citizens. I have lived in Louisville since 2001 and I do not want a \$10 million dollar parking lot built in our beautiful city to accommodate 6-8 nights of Street Faire attendants and the complaints of the vocal minority.

The solution? Walk. Many of us downtown residents want people to continue to park and walk. We do not have complaints, so the vocal minority have had your ear. Unfortunately, some residents call our police department when they could simply open their front door and ask people to lower their voices if they are hanging out at their cars after concerts. People also call our police about trash and other smaller annoyances - I work directly with police as a firefighter and know police officers should be left to deal with major issues.

Maybe give some of the \$10 million to citizens - hire people at a call center to triage complaints, increase the number of police downtown on Street Faire nights, and/or sanitation to help clean up the next day? We live on Main St. and have had to pick up trash from our lawn twice and had someone blocking our driveway once after Street Faire. There's far more trash left after parades and a kind note can be left if someone blocks a driveway. Residents can park on their driveway or leave a cone to ensure they won't be blocked. My family, and all of our neighbors, move our cars off Main St. to open up parking to the public and don't have an issue with Friday nights in general. And literally throwing shade on Sweet Cow/Lucky Pie's garden for \$10 million? Um, no.

Thank you for saving our city's beauty and money for more worthy causes.

Sincerely,  
Ingrid Lechner  
520 Main St.  
303-665-5194

**From:** [Marilee O'Connor](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Public Health and Cultural Impact of Parking Garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 2:04:46 PM

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Thank you in advance for your service and dedication to Louisville. I appreciate your taking the time to read and consider my comments on the proposed parking garage.

As a public health epidemiologist, I am familiar with the impact of the built environment on the health, mental wellness, and economic and cultural habits of a community. I would wager that while many agree on the goals and mission of the Urban Renewal Authority, there is disagreement among how to implement and achieve those goals. After I completed a literature review of parking garages and public health, please consider the following evidence-based summary.

Parking garages are associated with an exceptional number of negative health affects. This includes 1) decreased air quality/ increased emissions; 2) reductions of productive community gathering/ green space; 3) increased shade and ice on surrounding property; 4) environmental blight; 5) decreased walkability; 6) decreased people-friendliness; and 7) decreased safety and security of people and vehicles alike. The are far more effective interventions to increase patronage and the wellbeing of our downtown without compromising the safety and health of our town. They do however, tend to make people more on time for medical appointments!

In addition, I would recommend that a community health assessment be performed by a professional to identify the true needs of the community, and effective interventions to make the desired impact in a significant manner. After serving as lead co-writer for our local hospital's (Avista) community needs assessment, as well as sitting on the boards of other community assessments in Boulder county, the message is clear. **Parking garages are on their way out as transportation continues to revolutionize (ride sharing, autonomous cars, and other practices continue to increase).** No only is the need decreasing, but they are a blight on their immediate surroundings socially, economically, and have a negative impact on public health and safety. Investing in such a structure may have been wise a few decades ago, and the current conversation would be about what to turn the garage into now that it is underutilized (many forward-thinking communities are currently working through conversion plans).

Please consider funding alternative revitalization interventions that will serve as an attraction to our community, thus maximizing existing parking spots, and supporting retail, local businesses and eateries. Upon asking local families for their favorite ideas, these include but are not limited to 1) Lake Louisville (man-made sandy bottom/ beach wading pool, iconic for being popular and lucrative); 2) Human train depot connecting to existing parking lots and attractions; 3) Underground Mining Tour and Pub Crawl. These were off the wall, but certainly caught my attention!

**Please rethink the opportunity cost of putting a parking garage in prime downtown property. In the future, we are going to need much less space to store cars. Please take advantage of this shift in consumer behaviors and create a lasting impact on our community for the better.**

Thanks for your time,

Marilee O'Connor, MPH

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**From:** [Mary Van Zale](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** I oppose the proposed parking structure  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 1:53:32 PM

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I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed parking garage that will be discussed tonight at City Council.

I live in Old Town Louisville, walking and biking downtown several times a week on my own or with my young children. I am opposed to the parking garage proposal because I do not think it is the appropriate solution to the parking challenges faced by downtown businesses and residents. Parking downtown during events certainly can be challenging, but that challenge can be addressed with shuttle services from the King Soopers, or abandoned Walmart parking lot. Also, improved signage directing visitors to appropriate parking near downtown, and police of parking patrols to help enforce legal street parking could reduce the friction that seems to happen when big events downtown create increased need for parking.

The proposed garage is too large for the current need. I do not support the proposal as it would change the visual experience of being downtown, and it would ruin the experience of eating outside at Sweet Cow and Lucky Pie. One of my favorite events of the year is the bike race that takes places at the SE corner of the proposed garage. The garage project would eliminate or drastically alter this wonderful event for our community.

Please listen to the business owners and residents of Louisville as we express our opposition to this proposal. Our town needs thoughtful development solutions to serve our growing community. As far as I see it, this proposal serves the pocketbooks of developers and contractors, while damaging the quality or life of members of our community.

Kind Regards,  
Mary Van Zale  
633 McKinley Ave  
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**From:** [terri.schantz](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** No to big parking structure  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 1:49:22 PM

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Please do not allow for a parking garage to be built downtown. Our downtown area is already so small; taking any more space for parking will take away what little there is and change our small town feel. That location is fine as it is for parking and the open space of the lot allows sun to shine on the outdoor area of Sweet Cow & Luck Pie. A big parking structure is out of place there.

Don't we want to encourage walking in Louisville????? It's who we are, our downtown is WALKABLE we love it and want to promote walking, biking NOT a big parking garage. Maybe you shouldn't have sold the grain building/land. Or the other side by Mountain Appliance find some land for parking spots but not a Big structure in the heart of downtown. Horrible idea for a location, we can do better than Louisville!

Terri Schantz

**From:** [Stephen Lack](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 1:09:01 PM

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Hello

I am totally and completely OPPOSED to this disaster of a monstrosity the city council is proposing. You guys can't even take care of the current property... landscape in a mess, weeds everywhere and now you're proposing building this ridiculous edifice ? Do you guys have any imagination whatsoever? Well thank god we will all get to vote on that bond issue and I can assure you it will be DENIED. I'm just pissed that you wasted out money already paying some architect for these designs ... you should all be sued. And maybe that's an option. Yep.

Stephen Lack  
962 Elm st

From my iPhone ><(((°>



**From:** [Grace Gee](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to proposed parking garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 1:08:51 PM

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To Louisville City Council,

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the city council meeting tonight where you will hear public comments on the urban renewal authority's proposed parking garage options. I am writing so that my voice will be counted even though I am not at the meeting.

I oppose the parking garage proposed for the corner of Front and Elm Streets. From what I understand of the proposal, the scale and architecture of the the building is not in keeping with Louisville's character. Also it is not clear to me that this parking structure is even needed at this point.

I encourage you to balance these factors as well as cost when you are reviewing and considering this proposal. I hope that the voices of Louisville residents will be heard by City Council.

Thank you,

Grace Ajemian  
Ward 1 resident

**From:** [Betty Solek](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments on Proposed parking garage discussion  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 1:08:23 PM

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City Council members

I have reviewed the options for the proposed parking garage which you will discuss tonight. I really wonder about the wisdom of concentrating all the additional parking in a single garage structure. It seems that this is an "all or nothing" approach to providing more parking for downtown Louisville. Yes, we have a large sum of capital available from downtown parking fees and urban renewal funds, but I don't think spending it all in one place makes sense. The resulting streetscape will be dominated by the building and it's too big for the scale of downtown. This is especially concerning as we move into a future that may not be dominated by single occupancy vehicles. Electric bikes are becoming increasingly popular and may reduce the need for parking. This is a trend that could not have been foreseen 2 -3 years ago. How long will it take to build a large parking garage? Will the design become obsolete when the city actually gets to building it? I think it is worth serious reconsideration of this approach in light of transportation trends such as driverless cars and other coming changes.

The elevation along Elm Street is the least attractive approach is symptomatic of this approach. This reminds me of the streetscape presented along Griffith between Main St. and Hwy 42 in Louisville. The mass of townhomes creates an unpleasant and inconsistent streetscape adjacent to the small houses of Little Italy to the north. I believe the single parking structure will create more of inconsistent massing within old town and we will lose even more of the character of the small town that makes Louisville special.

I always wonder about the allure of downtown Louisville. Why can't we use money to create parking and gathering places in Centennial Valley where a garage structure could be planned to match the scale of the buildings. I think the large mass of a single parking garage is not consistent with preserving the character of old town Louisville-even if "architectural interest" is added to the design.

Thank you for consideration of my comments.

Betty Solek  
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**From:** [Valerie Kelliher](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** NO to Proposed Parking Garage!  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 12:57:09 PM

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Please reject the proposed parking structure for downtown Louisville! We've attended many events and dining at different times of the day and have never had an issue with parking. Yes, we may not have gotten a spot right on Main Street, but there has always been something close by. Please be diligent about protecting the unique historic feel of Louisville, that so many of us moved here for, and what continues to draw others to visit.

Best regards,  
Val Kelliher

**From:** [Nathan Mosley](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kathy Martin](#)  
**Subject:** Louisville Recreation/Senior Center Grand Opening Celebration, Saturday 1/26  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 12:36:28 PM  
**Attachments:** [Grand Opening Schedule.pdf](#)

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Dear Mayor Muckle and City Council,

Good Afternoon! I hope all of you are as excited about the upcoming grand opening as we are. I wanted to reach out on behalf of all the Recreation/Senior Center staff to provide you with grand opening details. Staff has planned an incredible day and we are looking forward to you being a part of the celebration.

Here are a couple specific details to be aware of:

- Arrive no later than 9:45 (Please check in with staff behind the front desk in the lobby)
- We have t-shirts for City Council to wear (We will reach out to distribute them ahead of the event)
- Speeches begin at 10am with the ribbon cutting following directly after
- ALL City Council members present should plan to participate in the ribbon cutting
- Activities are scheduled to begin at 10:30, so our goal is to be done with speeches and the ribbon cutting by 10:25.

I have also attached a full agenda to this email. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thanks!

Nathan

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**From:** [John Cartwright](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed parking garage  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 12:10:35 PM

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Hello,

I understand that the council is considering a new multistory parking garage for downtown Louisville and I urge you not to approve such a project at this time.

Such a structure would irrevocably alter the character of the downtown area and it appears that we're not yet making full use of surface parking such as the lot across the railroad tracks (accessed via the new pedestrian tunnel). Is the garage under the library fully used? It would seem prudent to wait on spending the millions of dollars and compromising the City's character until such time as it was demonstrably clear that another garage was required.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Cartwright  
120 W Pine  
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**From:** [Robbie Cartwright](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** NO on Parking garage proposals  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 10:43:37 AM

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Dear Council Members,

Please count me as vigorously **opposed** to all of the proposed parking garage options for downtown.

Having read through the proposal history and studied the 3 schematics I am unconvinced of the need for such oversized and costly structures. I believe they are not consistent with and would significantly detract from the scale and character of our town, both of which I cherish.

As a close resident to old town for the past 23 years, I regularly walk downtown and enjoy the increasingly thriving local businesses. I eat and shop downtown. I see no need for a garage as a “catalyst” to redevelopment. Old town is doing well. The city has just spent a great deal to provide a tunnel under the railroad tracks to connect to extensive as yet underused parking on that side. In contrast to old town, the McCaslin corridor and Louisville Plaza have tons of parking but businesses sitting empty, as the ubiquitous big box and strip mall models of business are losing their appeal.

Yes, I see that congested parking along many of our adjacent residential streets is a problem, but we can address that issue with tailored regulations and increased signage and curb painting, all at very little cost.

Should the RTD rail ever actually move toward fruition, we can re-examine the issue, but it seems unlikely. At the current time the only one to really benefit from the construction of a big garage would be the developer.

Louisville’s Old Town is repeatedly recognized and praised. Old Town businesses are doing well. **Please do not approve an unnecessary, oversized and costly parking garage which would dwarf and shadow the surrounding buildings, and diminish the charm and appeal of our town.**

Sincerely,

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**From:** [Rita Zamora](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed Louisville Parking Structure Meeting Tonight  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 10:37:32 AM

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Hello - I am opposed to the proposed monstrosity parking structure that does not fit with the established charm that makes Louisville so special.

For a city that has won "Best Place to Live" on several occasions, couldn't Louisville also be a leader in innovating a new modern parking initiative? For example, using the money for the parking structure and rather creating a program to incentivize using Uber or Lyft to reach the restaurants, bars or events here in town. This type of program could stimulate business for local businesses, and reduce the need for parking (not to mention reducing drinking and driving).

Thank you,

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**From:** [Patricia Scholes](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Parking for Old Town Louisville  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 10:18:19 AM

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The meeting this evening has an agenda item regarding proposed parking structures in the Old Town area. My husband and I haven't been active in looking at what options have been looked at, but wonder why the Miner's Field Ball Park and some of the condemned areas around it have not appeared as options. Or, land across Hwy 42. In the early 90's I, with some others, formed Plan East Boulder County to get at growth in the East County, and our group actively worked with the then City Council and Boulder County Commissioner Peter Stewart to get Louisville added to the then legislation to get an Open Space tax. So, when I suggest space across Hwy 42, near the down town area, I do not do so lightly. But, I think such a parking structure on Main or Front street is not a fit for the character of that area. Even if the RTD's FasTracks Northwest Rail Project is not in our immediate future, having planning done towards that goal and not fracturing the Old Town's appeal by what is proposed seems to be something the City Council would see as viable and practical for the future.

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